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SIAM AND THE GOLD  
STANDARD.

It has been amusing to follow the articles in Continental journals advocating foreign intervention in Siam in the interests of civilisation, because the country was in a state of anarchy and the people enslaved. Such gross misrepresentations, intended to serve a purely political purpose, are absolutely disproved in the report, which has been issued, at Bangkok, by Mr. W. J. F. Williamson, the financial adviser of the Siam Government, on the Budget of 1904-5, and who in view of the importance to British interests of maintaining the independence of that country has certainly established the substantial character of the advance which the Siam Government has made in the direction of reforming its administrative machinery on Western models. He shows that despite a total absence of public debt the time is approaching when the Government will have to follow the example of other progressive nations and meet the cost of further productive works from borrowed capital. Siam is certainly in a position to offer excellent security for any loan that she may desire to contract; for, according to Mr. Williamson, the country has recently placed her currency on a more stable basis by the adoption of a gold standard which has already exercised a steady influence on her finances. In his previous report, the financial adviser of the Government pointed out that, by the adoption of a gold standard, Siam had obtained both the practical and the sentimental advantage of having placed her monetary unit in a position where it was at last in a fair way to being recognised in the exchange marts of the world as a coin with a value of its own, and added that until the change to a gold standard was effected, the local banks invariably quoted their rates for gold bills in dollars, whereas two of them had already begun quoting in ticals. "Since writing the above," he says in his present report, "the third and most important bank has come into line with the other two in this matter, and from the 1st of May, 1904, a uniform method of quotation of exchange has been adopted, whereby the value of the tical is cited in terms of the various foreign currencies. This in itself is evidence of the confidence felt by the banking community in the ultimate success of the change of standard, and the simplification of the method of quoting local exchange must be no small convenience to the business interests of the country." Two years ago an experiment was begun by the issue of a Government paper currency convertible into cash on demand. The department having charge of the issue is authorised, under the statutes creating it, to invest a fixed proportion of its cash reserve, held against notes, in approved securities; but up to the present time advantage has not been taken of this provision, and the total value of the notes is covered by actual cash reserves held by the department. At the end of September, 1902, the Government notes in circulation amounted to a value of 312,575 ticals; at the end of March, 1904, the circulation of these notes had steadily grown, until it reached the respectable total of 7,310,935 ticals. In commenting on the very satisfactory results of this experiment Mr. Williamson makes the following observations: "The rapid and consistent manner in which the circulation has expanded is clear proof that the country was ripe for the adoption of the measure providing for an issue of convertible State notes—a further evidence of the fact being that the latter have now practically superseded the issue of the local banks, which formerly entirely held the field. It is estimated that the total value of the banknotes still outstanding amounts to less than one million ticals, and as these are now seldom seen in the course of business it is probable that the majority of them are either hoarded or have been accidentally destroyed, by one means or another." Some twelve months ago the question of investing part of the currency reserve was under consideration when some forged notes were found to be in circulation, and although this led to a temporary panic, and confidence was speedily restored the Government deemed it advisable, however, to postpone the investment of any portion of the cash reserve, with the result that, at the present time, every tical of the note issue is

represented by actual cash in the treasury of the department. Mr. Williamson, analysing the figures relating to the foreign trade of the country, draws attention to the fact that the large imports shown for 1902-3 are in a great measure due to the unusual amount of treasure imported by the Mint for the coining of ticals which were required to meet the expanding trade. In that year the imports included treasure valued at 19,012,594 ticals, as compared with 2,251,596 ticals in the previous year, and 8,430,506 ticals in the following year. If financial returns furnish a good guide to the progress of the country statistics supplied by Mr. Williamson are proof enough that the Kingdom of Siam is by no means in that unsatisfactory condition which politicians in Europe would have us believe, but is prospering on every side, and by reason of her reform in currency is opening up new fields of commerce in foreign markets.

## **LOCAL AND GENERAL.**

H.E. the Governor of the Straits Settlements, Sir John Anderson, has received from M. Rodier, Governor of Indo-China, a telegram thanking His Excellency for his kind telegram of sympathy on the occasion of the death of Mme. Rodier.

In our report of the Dallas-Bandmann Opera Co's performance of "The Orchid" last evening we stated that Mr. W. Fleming Vallance directed the orchestra when we are given to understand that Mr. J. Morton Hutchison has occupied the conductor's chair since the company opened here.

The next lecture in connection with the United Services Instruction of Hongkong will take place at 5.30 p.m., on the 14th inst., in the City Hall. Vice-Admiral Sir G. H. U. Noel, K. C. B., K. C. M. G., will be in the chair, when Lieut. Commander Gregory will lecture on the "Use of destroyers in war time."

The question of the advisability of enlisting Filipinos in the United States navy was taken up by the President and his Cabinet some weeks ago. While the matter was not finally settled, consensus of opinion among the members of the Cabinet was favourable to the idea and it will receive further attention at a later day.

The prospect for the sale of American shoes in China is brightening, reports the U.S. Consul at Hankow. It will be some time before any considerable number of the Chinese people will be able to buy American footwear, but the number is constantly increasing and trade figures show a marked increase in the imports of this article.

The prospectus has been issued of the Billa Syndicate, which is being formed with a capital of \$100,000 to purchase the Rubber and Coffee Estate known as the Billa Concession in Sumatra. We have no time to review the report on the property, as drawn up by Mr. W. Dunman, in this issue; but the prospectus seems that of a very sound position. The managers are Messrs. Van de Stadt, Kesting and Dunman. We understand that \$50,000 of the \$100,000 is already subscribed. Applications should be made to Messrs. Hooglandt & Co. or Messrs. Dunman & Pickering.—*Straits Times*.

When the coal mine at Tangtzesong, south of the city of Weibien, Shan-tung, was first developed by the Chinese-German Coal Mining Company there was a daily output of only 150 tons, but now it has increased to 360 tons, thus the company is getting on very successfully. The large coal is supplied to the Kiaochow railway, while the coal dust is sold to the natives. Formerly, the price for each train load of coal was \$70, now, with the rapid increase of the output, it is but something like \$50. The natives who have carried on mining work in this region by the native process are now handicapped, having been reduced to a miserable condition, and will all soon be forced to stop work altogether.—*Sinwan-poo*.

Colace Vincents, an Italian, went yesterday to the Sailor's Home and asked for board and lodging. He said he had no money to pay for it, so the police were communicated with in order that they might look after the "vagrant." When taken to the station and searched it was found that, while he had no cash actually on his person, he possessed a savings-bank book, showing him to have 300 lire, or about £12 to his credit. The matter was referred to the Italian Consul-General, Chevalier Z. Volpicelli, by whom arrangements are being made to ship this "vagrant" back to sunny Italy at his own cost. From investigations made into his antecedents the police here discovered that Colace is well-known in the northern ports.

This morning, at half-past ten o'clock, Chief Inspector of Police Baker, and Chief Inspector of Detectives Hanson, headed a deputation composed of members of their respective forces, and waited upon Mr. E. R. Hallifax at the Central Police Station, to wish him good luck and success in his new sphere of usefulness. Mr. Hallifax has been acting as deputy Superintendent of Police vice Captain F. W. Lyons, the holder of that appointment, and the latter, having returned from furlough, Mr. Hallifax has been relieved, and, as already announced, goes north to look after South African Coolie Emigration operations, on which duty he is expected to remain away for some considerable time. Both Mr. Baker and Mr. Hanson spoke in eulogistic terms of the relations that had always existed between them and the new departing Deputy, and while regretting his leaving they hoped it was a form of promotion leading to further success and prosperity. Mr. Hallifax replied in a few feeling words, and then his health was drunk in bumper, all present cheering him as he left the hall.

## **ACTION AGAINST A SHIPPING COMPANY.**

### **VERDICT FOR PLAINTIFFS.**

At the Civil Summary Court this morning before the Puisne Judge (Mr. T. Seacombe Smith) the action brought by the Mutual Stores against the Toyo Kisen Kaisha to recover \$1760 in respect of short landed and damaged cargo was concluded.

Mr. D. Stevenson appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Bailey defended.

Mr. J. B. Smith, commission agent, with 43 years' experience, said all the large shipping companies gave notice to consignees of the arrival of short landed cargo. There was considerable risk in taking delivery of tinned vegetables in rusty tins.

By Mr. Bailey: In the case of over-carried goods greater responsibility rested upon the shipping companies. A rusty tin would not necessarily affect the contents.

Mr. Man Fung was re-called, and gave a list of the principal shipping companies, all of whom notified consignees when short landed cargo arrived. He had received these notifications from every company he had mentioned.

Mr. Bailey, for the defence, said as a matter of fact the plaintiffs were notified on March 22nd, but it was not the custom of the port, as he should prove, to notify consignees through many companies did so for their own convenience.

Mr. H. A. Burke, shipping clerk in the employ of the defendants, said that some seven thousand short shipped cases arrived a week after the *Shawmut* by the *Olympia*, including the 14 cases in dispute. All the cargo was taken delivery of with the exception of plaintiffs' and all without the consignees being notified. Occasionally they notified the arrival of short landed cargo, but only when they wanted to clear their godowns. The custom of the port was that consignees were to inquire for their short landed cargo. The short shipped goods were surveyed by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

By Mr. Stevenson: He had had six years' experience in a shipping office including five years in Hongkong. The godown-man did not report when he had given short delivery orders. He knew the 14 cases were in their godown but he did not think it was his duty to notify plaintiffs. He thought the plaintiffs were leaving the goods there on purpose. He knew something of the working of the Occidental and Oriental and Pacific Mail Companies, and acted for them. The notifications from those companies produced, referred to an original shipment. He did not think it was more important to inform consignees in respect of short landed cargo. The O. and O. and Pacific Mail Companies never gave notice of the arrival of short shipped cargo.

Mr. L. Lewis, chief clerk in the P. and O., said it was not the custom of the port to notify the consignees of the arrival of short landed cargo. They notified them sometimes, when cargo was blocking lighters or something of that kind.

A godown man in the employ of the defendants spoke to having pointed out the 14 cases in the godown to an employee of the plaintiffs.

Another godown man in the employ of the defendants spoke to going to the Mutual Stores to deliver a case of cream which was short landed. He then told a clerk in the Stores that the 14 cases were in the godown.

Both Counsel having addressed the Court, His Honour said it was quite clear that no notice was given to the plaintiffs that the goods were in the godown before September. He thought it was unreasonable to expect a consignee to keep going down to inquire, if short landed cargo had arrived. It was the fault of the shipping companies if it had not arrived in time and it was their duty to deliver the same as soon as possible. He would require more than one witness to determine what was the custom of the port in regard to notifying consignees. He had come to the conclusion that the question of custom had not been proved on either side. He held that it was reasonable to expect the shipping company to notify the arrival of the goods. There would be judgment for the plaintiffs for the amount claimed with costs.

## **THE DALLAS COMPANY.**

A very full house greeted the Dallas Company last night when, for the second time, the Gaiety hit, "The Orchid," was staged at the Theatre Royal. The piece affords plenty of scope for the voluble members of the company to show of what they are capable in the histrionic line, for all played well together and combined to make the piece go with a swing and verve that marks all the performances that the Dallas combination undertake. It is replete with funniness, and there are good hearty laughs for the audience. "The Orchid" will be repeated to-night, giving way to-morrow to "The Cingalee," another popular London piece. We have, so far, not heard of any dramas to be produced by this company, but as we have seen Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dallas, Miss Bertha Hunter, Miss Violet Frampton, and Mr. F. Cochrane, we know of what they are capable in that line, for we have not forgotten what a hit they made in "The Sign of the Cross."

An interesting case has been engaging the attention of the Shanghai Mixed Court during the past week and may, probably, do much to put a stop to the issue of forged Hongkong and Shanghai Bank notes. Three Chinamen are charged with being in possession of 26 counterfeit \$5 notes of this corporation, also, with attempts to utter same; knowing them to be forgeries. Mr. Gardner, who represented the Bank, declared that the prisoners really had no defence at all, being caught *flagrante delicto*; also that they were connected with a gang of forgers having their headquarters at Osaka. Mr. Gardner stated that this forgery was the cause of a run on the bank to the extent of \$300,000 and that proceedings were pending through the Japanese Consul for the arrest of the Japanese members of the gang who had bolted. The Court after considering the matter remanded the case.

## **DEPARTURE OF H.M.S. "VENGEANCE."**

### **GREETED BY THE FLEET AT SEA.**

Shortly after eleven o'clock this morning H.M.S. "Vengeance" sailed for home with her paying off pennant, of 650 feet, flying gaily in the breeze, and her band giving out those old, but cheery, tunes of "Rolling Home" and "Auld Lang Syne."

The few remaining warships in harbour played her out and their various crews manned the rigging and cheered lustily, as she gradually gathered way under the pressure of her screws. The ship's company, aided by time-expired men and invalids, returned the cheers with hearty good will, and kept the harbour resounding with merry peals until the battleship was well out in the direction of the Lyceum Pass. It was thought at one time that she would be leaving port earlier in the day but she was unable to get away until about 11.15 a.m., thus enabling Admiral Sir Gerard Noel, who has just returned from Canton, to go aboard, make a final inspection and bid farewell to the men. Soon after making the Lyceum Pass the "Vengeance" steamed through the line of battleships and cruisers under Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon Howe, which has been cruising in the vicinity of Mira Bay for some days past, and as she got abreast of each ship the crews exchanged greetings and cheered lustily. She then headed her course to the south-west and was quickly lost to sight below the horizon.

Now that she has left the port it will not be amiss to give a few details concerning the manner in which the men aboard have spent a three years' commission on the station. Hoisting her pennant at Portsmouth on the 8th April, 1902, the "Vengeance" left for Malta a fortnight later and joining the Mediterranean Fleet under the Commander-in-Chief of the Station, Admiral Sir Compton Edward Domville, K.C.B., she quickly settled down to business in drills, evolutions, and so on, and was not long in proving herself a smart and efficient ship. At the regatta the much-prized cup for 14-oared barges fell to her lot as well as several minor races. Her representatives in the boxing ring also met with various successes, the mid-c-weight and bantam championships being brought to a successful issue. Our readers will also remember having seen or read of her men who, later, became more or less well-known in this Colony, in the fistic art. Getting orders to reinforce the China squadron, the "Vengeance" was ordered out to the East, and on leaving the Mediterranean was complimented by the Admiral, who ran up the signal "Good luck," and added, "I am very sorry to lose from my command such a clean and efficient ship." On arriving at Hongkong, about the middle of July, 1903, while Admiral Sir Cyrrian Bridge was still in command, she steadily worked her way up towards the premier position, in drills, H.V.S. *Abdon* then being her friendly rival, and as each vessel was about equally smart, they both had turns in being the first ship on the station. At the regatta at Wei-hai-wei she took second place to H.M.S. *Cressy* in winning boats, but scored a decided victory in again securing the Cup for 14-oared barges. The officers added another Cup to the list, for 6-oared gigs, while the heavy gun firing shield has been turned over to her for the year's shooting, in musketry, for which also a cup is put up for competition. She stands at the top of the list, so that altogether her commission shows that officers and men have worked well and hard to get their battleship in such trim and order, as a reliable fighting unit to support the traditions of the Royal Navy under the White Ensign.

The results of her last inspection, by Rear-Admiral the Hon. Curzon Howe, was highly satisfactory, and just before sailing Captain Leslie Stuart read extracts from a letter received from the flag officer setting forth how pleased he was at the high state of efficiency of the ship's company and cleanliness of everything connected with the vessel. He personally wished the captain, officers and ship's company the best of luck and a pleasant voyage home. In these wishes we join and while regretting their absence from the station, we trust that all aboard will enjoy a well-deserved leave in the homeland.

OWING to the receipt of news that the Baltic fleet, if ever it should get so far, would most probably attempt to seize one of the numerous bays indenting the Fukien coast to serve as a Naval station and rendezvous for the purpose of harrying the Formosan coast towns, Viceroy Wei Kuang-tso, according to a Foochow dispatch, has asked for two new cruisers of the Peiyang squadron and four of the Nanyang to go down South to reinforce the Foochow squadron, while all the forts on the coast are being also reinforced.

## **SHIPPING AND MAILS.**

### **MAILS DUE.**

Canadian (*Athenian*) 9th inst.  
English (*Nubia*) 10th inst, 6 a.m.  
Indian (*Sutlang*) 14th inst.  
German (*Princess Alice*) 14th inst.  
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 14th inst.  
American (*Korea*) 16th inst.  
German (*Prins Heinrich*) 16th inst.  
Indian (*Kumsang*) 22nd inst.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Sutlang* from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on 7th inst, at 6 p.m.

The I. C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Kumsang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 5th inst, and may be expected here on 22nd inst.

The Mails per s.s. *Korea* which left Yokohama for this port on 8th inst, have been transferred to the *Empress of China* and is due here on 15th inst.

The C. P. & S. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of China* arrived at Yokohama at 9 a.m. on 7th inst, and left again at noon, same day for Kobe where she is due to arrive at noon on 8th inst.

The P. & O. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Mongolia* with mails, and which left hence on 8th ult, for San Francisco via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on 4th inst.

## **TELEGRAM.**

### **THE WAR.**

#### **NEARING THE GOAL.**

RUSSIAN COUNTER-ATTACKS AND REPULSES.

Mr. M. Noma, Consul for Japan, kindly forwards us the following telegram:—

Tokio, 7th March, 1905, 5.50 p.m.

On the 6th inst., in the direction of Hing-king the enemy near Tita, fifteen miles south-east of Fushun, delivered repeated counter-attacks, but they were repulsed each time, while our attack on the enemy near Machuntan, fifteen miles south of Fushun, is progressing favourably in spite of the enemy's stubborn resistance.

At eight in the evening we occupied the height, two miles south of Machuntan.

In the direction of Penhsihou our detachment, on the afternoon of the 6th inst., occupied the heights ranging south of Paitzukou distant six miles south of Machuntan, at the same time driving the enemy towards Sanchiatzu, two miles south-west of Machuntan.

On the night of 5th inst. the enemy's counter-attack in front of Kaotailing was repulsed.

In the direction of Shaho in the district lying east of the railway, the enemy's counter-attack, on the night of 5th inst., on the northern end of Tungchialeng, was repulsed; otherwise there is no change of situation.

In the district west of the railway an engagement is now proceeding with the enemy posted in line extending from east of Hang-chengpao to Erhtaitzu, and who are offering a stout resistance.

On the right bank of the Hunho the enemy, about one division strong with seventy guns, appeared in the vicinity of Tashichiao; but they were repulsed.

## **DR. ATKINSON AND THE SANITARY BOARD.**

The President of the Hongkong Sanitary Board is shortly going home on leave of absence, and opportunity was taken at the close of the meeting yesterday to eulogise the work of the Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson during the term he has presided at the Board. Col. Webb said he was sure the members would cordially join with him in wishing their President a good voyage and the pleasant holiday which he deserves for the courtesy and consideration he had always shown them at their meetings. He alluded to the frequent conflicts on matters before the Board, but by tactful and wise leading, the members had been always brought to the correct conclusion. He wished Dr. Atkinson good health, a good voyage and a very pleasant holiday. (Applause.) Mr. A. Rumjahn endorsed what Col. Webb had said, and remarked that Dr. Atkinson's long connection with the Colony befitted him to carry out his duties as president of the Board, and had made him an eminent president. They had had much pleasure in working with him since the new Public Health and Buildings Ordinance was enacted, and under his presidency the Colony had at least been saved thousands of dollars in carrying out the work of sanitation, especially with regard to cleansing work. Mr. Rumjahn understood that it used to cost the Colony \$50,000, but since the work had been under their President this had been reduced to \$70,000. He wished him a very pleasant voyage and speedy return. (Applause.)

In thanking Col. Webb and Mr. Rumjahn for their kind words, Dr. Atkinson alluded to the important work instituted by the Board in carrying out the new Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, which, since its enactment, was found to require careful consideration on several occasions, owing to it having been found impossible to carry out its provisions as originally drafted. The result was that the Government passed an amendment Ordinance which rendered it possible for the Chinese houses to have at any rate two cubicles on a floor. As the Ordinance was at first arranged it was impossible to have any cubicles. With a Board constituted such as their eleven members, the members could not always see alike, but he thought that on the whole the work had been carried on harmoniously. He thanked the Chinese representatives for persuading the native community to cleanse their dwellings more thoroughly, a step the importance of which they were brought to realise under the *regime* of Sir Henry Blake. The efforts of the Board had been concerned more with cleansing than anything else, and the death rate had diminished perceptibly during the last three years. The death rate, per thousand per annum, had diminished among Chinese from 21.03 in 1902 to 17.18 in 1904. Among non-Chinese it had diminished from 19 in 1902 to 12.45 in 1904. In addition to this, measures had been taken by the Government to stop the ravages of malaria by the draining of swamps, the removal of underground water, and the filling in of swamps. The number of malaria patients admitted into the hospital had diminished from 1,393 in 1901 to 490 in 1904. The number of deaths from this cause had also diminished from 574 in 1901 to 301 in 1904. There had been a marked diminution of malaria and a great saving of human life. And this year there had been less plague than any other year since 1897, but it was very dangerous to prophesy, because there were many factors about the plague bacilli of which they were ignorant. If they would only persuade the Chinese to help them, he thought that this year would be not so serious in this respect as last year. (Applause.)



## TELEGRAMS.

## "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

[Private Telegram.]

## OBITUARY.

A private telegram has been received in the Colony announcing the death of Mr. Reuben Sassoon in London.

[There are comparatively few residents in the Colony who remember the deceased gentleman in Hongkong as it is now upwards of thirty-five years since he was last in the Far East. Although he left these shores so long ago his connection with the Colony was by no means at an end as up to the date of his death, when he had already reached the allotted span, he was an active partner in the firm of Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co., Ltd. His son Mr. David D. Sassoon, who is the senior partner in Hongkong, was in the Colony about four years ago. The deceased gentleman was well known in Court circles at home and frequently travelled in company with the present King. Business to-day at the office of both Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co., Ltd. and Messrs. F. D. Sassoon & Co. has been entirely suspended.—ED. (H.K. 7.)]

## Opium for China.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

BOMBAY, 8th March.

The P. & O. Co.'s mail steamer left Bombay yesterday afternoon with about 370 chests of Malwa opium. Prices are as follows:—

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| Malwa (New) ... Rs. 1,350 |
| (Old) ... 1,740           |
| (Older) ... 1,850         |
| (Oldest) ... 1,950        |

[Reuters.]

## Mukden in Confusion.

LONDON, 6th March.

General Kuropatkin reports that the advanced guard of the Japanese army, which is surrounding the Russian right flank, arrived on the 4th instant five miles from Mukden station from the direction of the Siuming road.

Reuter's Mukden correspondent wires that the sudden appearance of the Japanese has completely surprised the Russians, and the town is thrown into confusion.

Later.

## Stubborn Russian Resistance.

Reuter's Mukden correspondent wiring on the evening of the 5th says that the battle raged ceaselessly throughout Sunday. The Japanese are concentrating at Machiupu to the south-west of Mukden, but are unable to dislodge the Russians. Heavy fighting has begun to the west and north-west of Mukden where General Kuropatkin has launched a desperate attack against the Japanese left. The Russians continue to hold the centre.

## Resignation of Mr. George Wyndham.

Mr. George Wyndham, Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has resigned.

## MARINE COURT.

## THE RULE OF THE ROAD.

Before Hon. Captain Barnes-Lawrence, R.N., the Marine Magistrate, this morning, Mr. Basil Taylor, Assistant Harbour Master, prosecuted Chan Yau Hoi, master of the steam launch *Hoi Yau*, for unlawfully failing to observe the rule of the road as laid down by H.M.'s Order in Council, in Victoria Harbour, on the 7th inst. The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$5. He promised never to do it again.

Mr. Basil Taylor also prosecuted So Fuk, master of the steam launch *Wing On*, for wilfully blowing the steam whistle of his launch other than for the purpose of navigation in Victoria Harbour, on the 7th inst, contrary to Ordinance 10 of 1899. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$5.

## DISOBEDIENCE OF HARBOUR RULES.

P. C. Brennan, charged Ho Tai, master of ballast boat No. 8, 1023 H, with unlawfully disobeying the lawful orders of the Harbour Master, contrary to section 39, sub-section 19, of Ordinance 10 of 1899. P. C. Brennan, sworn, stated that at 8 o'clock this morning he was in the military launch *Subtle*, keeping the range clear for gun practice, on the West side of Stonewater Island, when he saw the defendant going along under sail in a Westerly direction. Witness ordered the man to go to the North, so as to enable the range to be kept clear. He did so, but when witness moved on he deliberately resumed his former course.—The master of the ballast boat 1023 said he was a new-comer to Hongkong and did not know the law. The policeman told him to go North and then Eastward.—P. C. Brennan, recalled, stated that the coxswain of the *Subtle* told the man to go North.—Defendant said he did not hear what the coxswain said, but he understood by the policeman's signs that he was to go in the direction he indicated. He had no explanation to give as to why he immediately resumed his former course when the police launch passed on.—His Worship said he could not believe that he did not hear either the policeman or the coxswain, and he would be fined \$5.

## SHIPPING JETSAW.

The Canadian Pacific Company's steamer *Minnesota*, brought 6,000 tons of cargo for Shanghai alone. She delivered to Japan 16,000 tons of American goods.

The s.s. *Leithen* will sail on Saturday for Cheloo and Chinwantan to load a further batch of coals for South Africa, proceeding afterwards to Durban direct.

## VALUING A BUSINESS.

## ALLEGED EXCESSIVE FEE.

At the Civil Summary Court this afternoon, before the Puisne Judge (Mr. T. Sercombe Smith), Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke, consulting engineers, sued Messrs. William Powell, limited, to recover \$500 hiring fee due for valuing the business of Messrs. More and Seimund.

Mr. E. J. Crist (Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. M. J. D. Stephens defended.

Mr. Stephens at the outset said he admitted that there was a certain sum due, but they said the claim was excessive and high. They were willing to pay a fair sum, and he proposed that the matter be referred to the Registrar who would understand figures better than the Court and let him determine what a fair sum was.

Mr. Grist, in opening the case, said the plaintiffs were employed to value the stock of Messrs. More and Seimund, ship chandlers. At that time Messrs. Powell thought of taking over this business. Plaintiffs spent a considerable time over the valuation and furnished a report. No fee was arranged, but defendants afterwards offered \$300, \$350, \$400, and eventually \$450, but they stuck out for their fee of \$500. Defendants had now paid into Court \$400. This matter had nothing whatever to do with the Registrar. It was simply a question of what was a reasonable fee.

Mr. H. F. Carmichael was called and spoke to being employed to do the work of valuing, and said there were not many men in Hongkong capable of doing the work. He employed Mr. Galt to assist him, and he had paid him a cheque for \$300 for his services. The valuation took twenty-one days to finish. In addition, he surveyed a steam launch, the fee for which was \$50 alone. The fee for surveying and valuing a steam launch was \$100.

Mr. A. T. Skelton, a partner in the firm of Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Company, and in charge for the last five years of their shipchandlery department, said he would not take up the valuation for a less sum than \$500, which he considered a fair and reasonable fee. The valuation required great technical knowledge.

Mr. John Galt said he was 21 days working all day long on the valuation of the stock. He did not think \$500 was an excessive sum to charge. From his point of view he wished it had been larger.

By Mr. Stephens: He had been in the shipping business all his life, and had been in the stores and purchasing department of Messrs. Dodwell and Company. He had made valuations of stocks many a time, both on shore and on shipboard, but had not previously valued the stock of an outside business.

Mr. Stephens, for the defence, called Captain N. G. Major, who said he had managed the business of Messrs. More and Seimund for the past four and a half years. He understood the fee for surveying a steam launch was \$75. He had never heard of \$500 being paid. It would be a very liberal fee. The fee might possibly be \$25 for surveying a launch.

Mr. Harry Eyre, manager of Messrs. Powell & Co., said that during the six years he was employed by Messrs. Peter Robinson & Co. in London he had always assisted to take stock judging from the report of the plaintiffs he should say the valuation ought to have been completed in ten days. He took stock of Messrs. Powell's business in Queen's Road in June last. It took him six days and the value of the stock was \$26,890.

By the Bench: He knew nothing about chandlery.

Mr. Stephens submitted that the amount paid into Court was ample for the work done. Plaintiffs had taken more time over the work than they need have done, and ten days would have been ample time to have completed the work. He considered \$500 was a very fair sum. His clients only desired to do the right thing and considered the amount paid into Court ample remuneration for the work done.

His Honour said it was plain that Messrs. Powell would not have employed Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke to value this business had they not considered them capable and competent to carry it out. It was great pity no agreement was come to with regard to the fee, for it had given rise to that litigation. It was also regrettable that there was no scale of fees in existence in this Colony to guide the Court in such matters, and the Court could only rely on the expert evidence. The evidence of Mr. Skelton, an expert in these matters, was that \$500 was not an excessive fee for the work done. There would be judgment for plaintiffs for \$500 with cost.

## OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

## RECORD ENTRY.

The entries for the Oxford Local Examinations in July next closed at noon to-day (Wednesday). 101 candidates (of whom nine were girls) entered, beating the previous record of 94 candidates in 1901. There were 18 Seniors, 38 Juniors and 45 Preliminary.

The engineering committee appointed by the President of the United States to give a final decision on the question of the plan of building the Panama canal, has rendered its report. The committee recommends that the canal be built on a sea-level. It declares that this is the most practicable and in the long run the cheapest way. Chief Engineer John F. Wallace advises the sea-level plan.

## TANJONG PAGAR DOCK CO.

## THE EXPROPRIATION SCHEME.

## MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Co. was held at the Singapore Exchange on 28th ult. for the purpose of considering the following resolutions:—

1. That, in view of the arbitrary action of the Government, in introducing the Tanjong Pagar Dock Bill 1905, without giving an opportunity to the Company of putting forward their objections to expropriation, and the injury which the Bill is likely to cause to the shareholders if passed in its present form, the Company do request the unofficial members of the Legislative Council to oppose the second reading of the Bill in the Legislative Council on the 3rd of March next.

2. That, in the event of the Bill passing the second reading, the Directors take such measures as they may consider advisable to endeavour to obtain such amendments of the Bill as the Legal Advisers of the Company may recommend in the interest of the shareholders of the Company.

Mr. J. R. Nicholson (Managing Director) took the chair and among those present were:—Messrs. W. P. Waddell, Romanij, D. K. Somerville, W. H. Shefford, C. Sugden, J. Sellar, J. Warrack, T. Braddell, von Rossing, Naef, A. A. Earle, P. T. Ewart, E. Scott Russell, R. Little, A. E. Baddeley, A. J. Macdonald, A. Diez, Pahnke.

In moving the first resolution the Chairman said—This meeting has been called by the Directors for the purpose of placing before you all the information they can, and obtaining your views upon the Government's intention to expropriate your property. The motions before you have been framed in as wide a sense as possible in order to allow a full expression of opinion, and as they are so dependent one on the other, I purpose allowing the discussion to embrace the two motions as if they were one. The Directors regret that they have not been able to call you together earlier, it being expedient that before doing so they should be in possession of the views of the large shareholders in Europe and also their Legal Advisers' opinion on the effect which the Ordinance will have on your interests as it is at present framed. One of the main

## ARGUMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT

in favour of expropriation appears to be, judged from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dispatch to H. E. the Governor dated November 4th, the fear that the Company would postpone the carrying out of the proposed extensions for the reason that its dividend might be interfered with, but what are the grounds for this fear? The Company has, during the past few years, been doing all that was possible to meet the shipping requirements. The wharves have been practically rebuilt from end to end, their existing godowns and buildings put into excellent repair. The expenditure under maintenance and repairs during the past 4 years has been

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| 1901 | ... | \$120,364 |
| 1902 | ... | 188,181   |
| 1903 | ... | 261,328   |
| 1904 | ... | 334,929   |

A total of \$911,802

Increased shipping facilities have not been neglected. During the past 3 years, 1,645 feet of additional wharfage has been provided, 75,000 tons of general cargo storage capacity and 20,000 tons of coal shed capacity have been added. The slow bullock carts for the removal of transhipment cargo have been superseded by 4 miles of railway, which deals so expeditiously with cargo that a blocked godown is now unheard of. The width of the Victoria and Albert Docks have been increased the former by 7 feet and the latter by 8 feet 6 inches, an improvement which enabled the large steamers *Prinz Heinrich* and *Swanley* to be repaired in Singapore. A commencement has been made to lengthen the Victoria Dock. A new, wider and deeper entrance has been built to the old Keppel Harbour Dock. During the past 4 years the Company has expended on improvements—not upkeep—but solely on additional works which could have been legitimately charged to capital, no less than \$3,621,000;—more than twice the amount the members have received in dividends or, in other words, the members have been entitled to dividends at the rate of 36% but have been content with 12% and invested the other 24% in the business. In addition to the sum of \$3,621,000 expended on extensions and \$911,800 on maintenance and upkeep they have further increased their liquid assets, stock, sundry debtors, investment, etc. by a net amount of \$550,000.

## MORE GENEROUS OFFER WARRANTED.

In face of these facts, the assets and increased earning power of your property warrant a much more generous offer from Government than \$2.10 per share. Surely, a body who has spent such a proportion of their earnings or improving their property and its facilities for the shipping trade, cannot be justly accused of selfish interest.

A scheme of very extensive extensions has been prepared and arrangements had been practically concluded whereby two financial houses of the first standing were prepared to advance the necessary funds on favourable terms.

During the Boxer troubles Tanjong Pagar was considerably overtaxed and complaints seem to have been spread broadcast, quite oblivious to the fact of the exceptional cause and apparently with the idea that a commercial concern should have part of its capital idle for years in anticipation of dealing with such contingencies. But the old saying of "give a dog a bad name and hang him" seems to have been applied to Tanjong Pagar with undue severity. It seems that this stigma has not yet entirely disappeared, but I am pleased to say that in the opinion of those whose interests we serve and who are best able to judge, the accusations are unjust. Complaints are received as they always will be by all pub-

lic undertakings of a like nature, but happily now, not many, and their number will compare favourably with any dock company. A large European Staff is now employed overlooking the different sections and departments, old methods and usages are being gradually superceded and new machinery and plant have been put down, and every endeavour made to cope efficiently with the trade.

## THE ACCUSATION OF INACTIVITY.

The number of vessels using the wharf in 1900—the year of the Boxer trouble—was 1,930 with a registered tonnage of 3,836,160 tons; in 1904, 2,356 ships used the wharf with a registered tonnage of 4,432,758 tons, or an increase of 426 ships and 596,598 registered tons and expeditiously dealt with. Under such circumstances I ask you can the Government accuse you Directors of inactivity.

I now come to what may be considered the incidents which have immediately led up to expropriation. On my engagement as Managing Director of the Company, I was instructed to formulate a scheme for the general improvement of the Company's property and particularly with reference to increased shipping facilities. My report was not handed to the Directors until the beginning of January, 1904, as I wished to be thoroughly conversant with the trade and shipping requirements of the port before deciding on my scheme. If the scheme had been drawn up within a short time of my arrival here it would not have taken the form which it did. This scheme was accepted by the Directors, but was not presented to you for reasons you are well aware of. In order to finance this scheme, the assistance of the Federated Malay States Government was asked, believing, as we did, that the interest of the Colony and the Company were so intimately connected, the money might be advanced by Government at 3% or more favourable terms than could have been expected from financial houses or the general public. This hope, although we had good reason to believe in it, was not fulfilled. Before the Government could be expected to advance funds for the carrying out of any scheme of such magnitude, they would naturally expect to have the views of some recognised authority on its feasibility. The London Committee, therefore asked Mr. Matthews to report on the proposed scheme and it was last June called home to discuss the matter with Mr. Matthews, the result being the joint report which is now in your hands. This joint report is practically the same as the original with the exception that it is proposed to carry out the whole of the work on the lagoon deck at once instead of in sections as the exigencies of the Company might require, and the main wharf is of a somewhat heavier and stronger construction, in view of the Government assistance being expected.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

On October 1st last, at the invitation of the Colonial Office, an informal meeting was held between the Colonial Office Officials and representatives of the London Consulting Committee. The object of this meeting was to discuss in an informal way the scheme as proposed in the joint report and to exchange ideas as to how and to what extent Government assistance might be expected. This was thought advisable before the Company sent in an "Official application for a loan. The result—was the letters already made public dated 14th October from the London Committee to the Colonial Office. There is one matter in connection with this interview which I should mention. It appears from the Secretary of State's dispatch to H. E. the Governor before mentioned, that an impression was formed in the minds of the Colonial Office that the Company could not obtain the necessary funds on terms they could accept and they would require 30 years to complete the work. Some misunderstanding must have arisen in connection with this, the Committee did not doubt they would be able to obtain the money on satisfactory terms and the time of 30 years was mentioned in connection with an alternative scheme which had been considered whereby the funds would be raised without increasing the Company's capital.

These are, as far as we are aware, all the facts in connection with the Government's decision.

## IN SPIRIT OF

## THE GOOD WORK DONE BY THE COMPANY

in meeting the growing shipping and docking requirements and its willingness to undertake the large expenditure in the near future. The Government seems to have made up its mind to expropriate, and its reasons for such must surely be weightier than those expressed in the Secretary of State's dispatch of 4th Nov. With regard to the Ordinance, the amendments the Directors consider the most important are, to obtain for the Company such provisions as will ensure that the valuation of the Company's undertaking shall be made upon a fair and proper basis and that the compensation to be awarded to the Company shall be on such a scale as has been considered to be equitable in the cases of other compulsory purchases in the Colony for some time past.

By the law of the Colony, the owner of land taken compulsorily by the Government is entitled to receive, in addition to the value of the land, 15 per cent on that value for the compulsory acquisition and there appears to be no reason why the Company should, in this respect, be worse treated than other landowners. The Board therefore consider that the Company should endeavour to get the Bill so amended as to put the Company in the same position in this respect as other landowners in the Colony have hitherto been.

QUESTION OF EXPENSES.

As the business of the Company will be gone when the undertaking is taken over, the Company will, after the award, be compelled to wind up and as the necessity for the liquidation is caused by the action of the Government in expropriating the undertaking, it appears only fair and reasonable that all expenses incurred by the Company after it is taken over until the compensation is paid, and in liquidation, should be borne by the Government whose action has compelled liquidation; and amendments will be put forward to this effect.

That proper compensation will be secured to officers and employees whose offices may be abolished by the act of expropriation. It is considered equitable that the members of the London Consulting Committee should, as the Body is threatened with extinction, receive compensation for the loss of their offices, and amendments in this direction have been prepared.

Several other minor amendments, which the Board think will tend to improve the Bill but which it is not at present necessary to enter into, have been prepared by the Legal Advisers of the Company; but as in the detailed consideration of a Bill of this nature, new matters are constantly suggesting themselves, the Directors think that it would be advisable, having intimated the direction of their amendments, they should be left a wide discretion as to detail and form.

Both resolutions were passed. A full report is reserved.—S. F. 2774.

## HOMEWARD BOUND.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Japan* took many old friends from the Colony to-day some of whom are going home on leave and others severing their connection with the Far East. Among those departing were Col. L. F. F. Mrs. and the Misses Browne, Mr. J. I. Plummer (chief assistant at Kowloon Observatory), Mr. W. S. Bailey (Messrs. Bailey and Murphy), Mr. H. C. Sandford (Hongkong and Shanghai Bank), Capt. W. H. Simpson (93rd Burma Infantry), Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe and Mr. E. R. Hallifax (who are proceeding north on government service), Mr. A. G. Ward, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Graham (Messrs. Storer and Sons), Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, leaves for home on Saturday, and expects to be absent twelve months.

## COMMERCIAL.

Shanghai advices, of 3rd inst., state:—Business reported:—Shanghai and Hongkong Wharfs at Tls. 177 for March p.m. and at Tls. 145 for March "New." Indo-China at Tls. 90 for March. Farnham, Boyds at Tls. 148/47 for March. Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., at Tls. 7.65 B.S. Langkats at Tls. 267 for March. Gas at Tls. 115. Lane, Crawford and Co. at \$130.

Business done direct:—Shanghai and Hongkong Wharfs at Tls. 175/177 for March p.m. Indo-China at Tls. 93 for June. Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. at Tls. 7.75. Sumitras at Tls. 73. Langkats at Tls. 267 for March, and at Tls. 276/1, 277 for June. Gas at Tls. 115. Lane, Crawford and Co. at \$130. Anglo-German Brewery at \$112.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plummer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 8th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has fallen over China and W. Japan. Pressure is highest over Central China, and a shallow area of low pressure seems to be lying to the SW. of the Loochoos.

Gradients moderate to slight. Moderate monsoon will prevail in the Forosa Channel and N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Moderate N.E. to N. winds fair.

## To-day's Advertisements.



## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

On MONDAY, 13th March:—

From Pak-shan, towards entrance to Junk Bay, at ranges of 600 to 4,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 A.M.

On WEDNESDAY, 15th March:—

From Pinewood, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges of 2,000 to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 A.M.

On FRIDAY, 17th March:—

From Pinewood, in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges of 2,000 to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 11 A.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, Practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the range.

L. BARNES-LAWRENCE, Captain, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department, Hongkong, 8th March, 1905. [342]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA, (Florio and Rubattino United Companies).

## STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA.

VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA).

## THE Steamship

"ISCHIA,"

Capt. Maganzini, will be despatched as above, on TUESDAY, the 14th instant, at Noon.

At BOMBAY, the Steamer is discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1905. [343]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SILESIA,"

Captain Bable, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th instant will be subject to sale.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th instant at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1905. [344]

## To-day's Advertisements.



## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Official Receiver in Bankruptcy, to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON FRIDAY,

the 10th March, 1905, at Noon, on the premises, at No. 35, Connaught Road Central, THE GOODS AND CHATELAIN.

OF THE HANG ON FIRM,

Comprising:—

47 Cases GUINNESS'S EXTRA STOUT,

28 Cases BASS'S BEER, (bottled by E. and J. Burke),

19 Cases ASSORTED SYRUP, 1 Case SODA,

&c., &c.

TERMS:—As usual. HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1905. [339]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

on FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,

the 10th and 11th March, 1905, at 11 A.M. each day, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, corner of Ice House Street.

A LOT OF MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES,

Comprising:—

ELECTRO-PLATED TEA SET, Sheffield

KNIVES, FORKS and SPOONS, JAM and BISCUIT JARS, SARDINE BOXES on

E.P. STANDS, GLADSTONE BAGS, SILK UMBRELLAS, BLANKETS, COUNTER-PANES, PERFUMERY, GLASS FLOWER

HOLDERS, &c., &c.

TERMS:



## Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.  
AND  
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

## JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,  
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.  
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

## OUTWARDS.

| FROM                  | STEAMERS     | DUE         |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "ALCINOUS"   | 18th March. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "OANFA"      | 21st March. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "KAISOW"     | 21st March. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "AGAMEMNON"  | 28th March. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "JASON"      | 1st April.  |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "LAERTES"    | 8th April.  |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "DARDANUS"   | 8th April.  |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "CHINGWO"    | 15th April. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "TELEMACHUS" | 17th April. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "DIOMED"     | 21st April. |
| GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL | "CALCHAS"    | 29th April. |

## HOMEWARDS.

| FOR                          | STEAMERS    | TO SAIL     |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "STENTOR"   | 14th March. |
| * GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL | "PATROCLUS" | 15th March. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "ACHILLES"  | 28th March. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "MACHAON"   | 1st April.  |
| * GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL | "ALCINOUS"  | 20th April. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP  | "AGAMEMNON" | 25th April. |

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

| FOR                                                                                           | STEAMERS     | TO SAIL     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and<br>all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via<br>NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA | "OANFA"      | 24th March. |
| For Freight, apply to                                                                         | "TELEMACHUS" | 20th April. |

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

| FOR                                                                                            | STEAMERS   | TO SAIL     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| NINGPO and SHANGHAI                                                                            | "TAIWAN"   | 10th March. |
| MANILA                                                                                         | "TAXING"   | 14th "      |
| PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND,<br>COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE,<br>BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE | "CHANGSHA" | 14th "      |
| CEBU and ILOILO                                                                                | "KAIFONG"  | 16th "      |

\* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these  
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly  
qualified Surgeon is carried.Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.  
Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian  
Ports.N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND  
AUSTRALIAN PORTS. (SEE SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT).

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1905.

## Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers  
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric  
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.  
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of  
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

| Steamship | Tons | Captain      | For             | Sailing Dates                       |
|-----------|------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| RUBI      | 2540 | A. H. Notley | AMOY and MANILA | FRIDAY, 10th March,<br>at 4 P.M.    |
| ZAFIRO    | 2540 | R. Rodger    | MANILA          | SATURDAY, 18th March,<br>at 10 A.M. |

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL  
(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

## PROPOSED SAILINGS.

| Steamship   | Tons  | Captain | For               | Sailing Dates |
|-------------|-------|---------|-------------------|---------------|
| "ARAGONIA"  | 5,198 | Schmidt | March 10th, 1905. |               |
| "NICOMEDIA" | 4,379 | Wagner  | March 31st,       |               |
| "NUMANTIA"  | 4,379 | Brahmer | April 20th,       |               |
| "ARABIA"    | 4,483 | Bable   | May 11th,         |               |

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and  
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate  
with or apply toSHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1905.

## PORTLAND &amp; ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND  
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,

## FOR

## PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

## THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

| Steamship   | Tons  | Captain | To Sail at Daylight on |
|-------------|-------|---------|------------------------|
| "ARAGONIA"  | 5,198 | Schmidt | March 10th, 1905.      |
| "NICOMEDIA" | 4,379 | Wagner  | March 31st,            |
| "NUMANTIA"  | 4,379 | Brahmer | April 20th,            |
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Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and  
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate  
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

## TAIN TING.

## LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.

STUDIO, AT NO. 14, D'AGUIAR STREET.

## REASONABLE FEES.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1904.

## THE AMERICAN SYSTEM

## OF

## DENTISTRY.

M. H. CHAUN, D.D.S.,

37, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG,

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1904.

## Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

## AUSTRALIAN LINE.

REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES,  
From 1st January, 1904.ALSO REDUCED FARES TO  
MANILA AND RETURN.STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric  
Light. First Class Accommodation. Un-  
rivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1904.

## STEAM TO CANTON.

## THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

| Tons               | Captain       |
|--------------------|---------------|
| "KWONG CHOW" 1,309 | J. P. MARTIN. |
| "KWONG TUNG" 1,338 | H. W. WALKER. |

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every  
evening (Saturday excepted).Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5.30  
o'clock every evening (Sunday excepted).These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled  
accommodation for First Class Passengers and  
are lit throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare—Single Journey \$4

Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is a short distance  
West of the Harbour Master's Office.

SHU ON S.S. CO., LD., and

YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,

No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1905.

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

## S.S. "WING CHAI,"

Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on  
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sun-  
days at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week  
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.FARES—Week Days, 1st Class, including  
Cabin and servant, Single \$3; Return Ticket,  
\$5; 2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the  
following rates—1st and 2nd Class, Single  
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single, 30  
cents, Return, 50 cents; Steerage, 10 cents.TIFFIN and DINNER can be supplied  
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for  
returning passengers only, at an extra charge  
of \$2.On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a  
Private Cabin which has accommodation for  
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3  
extra.First Class Passengers, who do not care to  
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed  
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-  
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should  
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to  
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given  
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be  
available for the following day.The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.  
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the  
Western end of Wing Lok Street.MING ON & Co.,  
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1904.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE  
TO NEW YORK,  
via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL,  
(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

| 1904.                              | About |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| "RICHMOND CASTLE" 9th March, 1905. |       |
| "SAINT FILLANS" 23rd "             |       |
| "LOWTHER CASTLE" 18th April, "     |       |

For Freight and further information, apply  
toDODWELL & Co., LIMITED,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1905.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LOONGSANG,"  
Captain G. S. Weigall, will be despatched as  
above, on FRIDAY, the 10th inst., at 4 P.M.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation  
for First-class Passengers, and is fitted through-  
out with Electric Light.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,  
(Calling at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports,  
and taking through Cargo to Adelaide,  
New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

## THE Steamship

"EASTERN,"  
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above  
Ports, on SATURDAY, the 11th instant, at  
Noon.This well-known Steamer is specially fitted  
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-  
ber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Pro-  
visions, Ice, etc., throughout the voyage.This Steamer is installed throughout with  
the Electric Light.A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are  
carried.N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of  
passengers the steamers of the Company have  
electric fans fitted in staterooms.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1905.

## "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

## THE Company's Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"  
C. H. Burch, Commander, will be despatched for  
the above Ports, on or about MONDAY, the  
20th March.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation  
for Passengers.For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1905.

## Consignees.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PUNDUR,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their  
Goods will be delivered from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining  
on board after 12 o'clock, Noon, the 4th instant,  
will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense  
into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1905.

## S.S. "TOURANE."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex  
s.s. Dordogne and Adour, from Havre ex  
s.s. Dordogne, from Bordeaux ex s.s. Ville de  
Valence and Virbechem, in connection  
with above Steamer, are hereby informed that  
their Goods, with the exception of Opium,  
Treasure and Valuables are being landed and  
stored at their risks into the Godowns of the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may  
be obtained immediately after landing.Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless  
intimation is received from the Consignees  
before 2 P.M., TO-PAY, requesting it to be  
landed here.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after  
MONDAY, the 13th March, at Noon, will be  
subject to rent and landing charges.All claims must be sent in to me on or before  
the 13th March, or they will not be recognised.All damaged packages will be examined on  
MONDAY, the 13th March, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. BRIDOU,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1905.

## FROM NEW YORK.

## THE H. A. L. Steamship

"NUBIA,"  
Captain Habel, having arrived from the  
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for  
countersignature by the Undersigned and to  
take immediate delivery of their goods from  
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice  
to the contrary be given before TO-PAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be  
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong  
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited,  
and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-  
ing undelivered after the 11th instant will be  
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 11th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1905.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"MANILA,"  
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,  
PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods  
are being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out mark by  
mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as  
the Goods are landed.This vessel brings on Cargo—  
From London, &c., ex S.S. Macedonia.Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before  
1 P.M., TO-PAY.Goods not cleared by the 10th instant, at  
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Consignees  
and the Company's representative at an  
appointed hour.All Claims must be presented within ten  
days of the steamer's arrival here after which  
date they cannot be recognised.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1905.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.  
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD,"  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that their Goods, with the exception  
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being  
landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns  
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and  
Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence  
delivery may be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless  
notice to the contrary be given before 7 o'clock,  
TO-NIGHT.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-  
ing undelivered after the 7th instant will be  
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on TUESDAY, the 7th March, at  
9.30 A.M.All Claims must reach us before the 13th  
instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1905.

## Consignees.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"TIENSIN,"  
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND  
STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are  
being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.Goods not cleared by the 13th instant, at  
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godowns for examination by the Consignees  
and the Company's representative at an ap-  
pointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten days  
of the steamer's arrival here after which date  
they cannot be recognised.No claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905.

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENCLEUCH,"  
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND  
STRAITS.CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby  
informed that all Goods are being landed  
at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong  
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,  
whence and/or from the wharves delivery may  
be obtained.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods deliv-  
ered after the 13th instant will be subject  
to rent.All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-  
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th  
instant, or they will not be recognised.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 13th instant, at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905.

THE PORTLAND AND ASIATIC  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "ARAGONIA,"  
FROM PORTLAND (OR), YOKOHAMA,  
KOBE AND MOJI.THE above steamer having arrived, Con-  
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to  
send in their Bills of Lading for Countersig-  
nature and to take immediate delivery of their  
goods from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel  
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in  
any case whatever.ALLAN CAMERON,  
General Agent.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1905.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.



## Shipping.

**Arrivals.**  
Pissanulok, Ger. s.s., 1,267, C. Fuchs, 6th Mar.—Bangkok 27th Feb., Rice and Mail.—B. & S.  
Hohstein, Ger. s.s., 1,275, H. Hamer, 7th Mar.—Mojl (Japan) 1st Mar., Coal.—Order.

Loongmoon, Ger. s.s., 1,500, Kainof-n, 7th Mar.—Shanghai 4th Mar., Gen.—S. & Co.  
Dencleuch, Br. s.s., 2,671, A. W. S. Thomson, 7th Mar.—Singapore 28th Feb., Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Richmond Castle, Br. s.s., 2,297, F. McDowell, 7th Mar.—Shanghai 4th Mar., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.  
Ichia, Ital. s.s., 2,784, M. Dante, 7th Mar.—Bombay 17th Feb., and Singapore 28th, Gen.—C. & Co.

Allesia, Ger. s.s., 1,468, Bahle, 7th Mar.—Singapore 1st Mar., Gen.—W. A. L.  
Huppi, Br. s.s., 1,305, Mathias, 8th Mar.—Swatow 7th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Tingang, Br. s.s., 1,045, D. H. H. Lawrence, 8th Mar.—Canton 7th Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Talwan, Br. s.s., 1,100, H. Harder, 8th Mar.—Canton 7th Mar., Gen.—B. & S.

Stine Nordiske, Dan. s.s., 591, H. C. A. Petersen, 8th Mar.—Shanghai 1st Mar., Cable, Case Oil.—S. O. Co.  
Frithjof, Nor. s.s., 809, H. A. Haraldsen, 8th Mar.—Tamsui 5th Mar., Gen.—O. S. K.

Bambila, Ger. s.s., 1,623, H. Luning, 8th Mar.—Shanghai 5th Mar., Gen.—H. A. L.  
Elger, Nor. s.s., 875, C. Rafen, 8th Mar.—Chinkiang 1st Mar., Ground-nuts and Beans.—H. A. L.

## Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Richmond Castle, for Singapore.  
Chau On, for Wuchow.  
Tungking, for Canton.  
Tchang, for Chefoo.  
Yingking, for Canton.  
Kwongchow, for Canton.  
Tak Ling, for West River.  
Brunkhild, for Bangkok.  
Empress of Japan, for Shanghai.  
Elger, for Canton.  
Haining, for Sha-u-Tsung.  
Chukong, for Samshui.  
Wing Chai, for Macao.

## Mar. 8.

Empress of Japan, for Vancouver.  
Machon, for Shanghai.  
Clam, for Shanghai.  
Nubia, for Shanghai.  
Zuena, for Shanghai.  
Zoroaster, for Christmas Island.  
Shuld, for Canton.  
Clara Jensen, for Canton.  
Vanguard, H. S. battleship, for Singapore.  
Manning, for Calcutta.  
Tchang, for Newchwang.  
Brunkhild, for Bangkok.  
Loongmoon, for Canton.

## Passengers arrived.

Per Silesia, from Singapore—Mr. A. C. Rudra, and 400 Chinese.  
Per Ichia, from Singapore—Mr. Patterson, 105 Chinese, and 4 Indians.  
Per Pissanulok, from Bangkok—Messrs. Davis, Morton, and 18 Chinese.  
Per Loongmoon, from Shanghai—Mr. Weinreich, 100 Chinese, and 3 J. panese.  
Per Frithjof, from Tamsui—133 Chinese.

## Passengers departed.

Per Caledonia, for Saigon—Mr. A. Obodovskoy, for Singapore—Messrs. J. Nakamaru, Charles Pope, and Mrs. M. A. Pope. For Bombay—Mr. M. M. Tackey, For Marseilles—Mr. and Mrs. Warlombert, Mr. and Mrs. Dourdin, Dr. and Mrs. de Beurnmann, and Mrs. Rognauld.  
Per Prinz Sigismund, for New Guinea and Australia—Messrs. C. Legee, da' Abaco, J. Anderson, B. Atkinson, G. Butler, G. R. Brown, John Sock, Otto Froehlich, A. Holmer, D. Johnson, J. Langworthy, W. Lehment, G. H. Mobus, K. Overland, W. Pucher, E. Rohrbach, Capta. Hall, Middleton, Messrs. M. Schanawsky, T. Sevlizer, W. Stevenson, C. Stewart, W. B. Wilkinson and H. Wuchert.

## Shipping Report.

Str. Hohstein from Mojil—Stormy weather.  
Str. Lightning from Calcutta—Strong NE. monsoon.  
Str. Loongmoon from Shanghai—Strong NE. monsoon outside.  
Str. Auchinard from Kuchinosu—Fresh NE. wind, and heavy sea, with rain.  
Str. Tungking from Wuhu—Strong NE. wind, high rough sea, from port to port.

## Vessels in Port.

Str. Auchinard from Kuchinosu—Fresh NE. wind, and heavy sea, with rain.

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Loongmoon, Br. s.s., 1,002, G. S. Weigall, 7th Mar.—Manila 4th Mar., Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Manchuria, Am. s.s., 8,750, J. W. Saunders, 4th Mar.—San Francisco 28th Jan., and Manila 2nd Mar., Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.  
Mercedes, Br. s.s., 2,025, G. S. McGreor, 1st Mar.—Weihaiwei 25th Feb., Ballast—Naval Stores.  
Queen Louise, Br. s.s., 2,170, W. A. Nicoll, 5th Mar.—Mojl 28th Feb., Black Diamonds.—D. & Co., Ltd.  
Quarta, Ger. s.s., 2,087, F. Frahm, 26th Feb.—Sourabaya 16th Feb., Sugar and Gen.—S. & Co.  
Rajaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,046, G. Wendig, 4th Mar.—Swatow 3rd Mar., Gen.—B. & S.  
Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,611, R. W. Almond, 6th Mar.—Manila 4th Mar., Gen.—S. T. & Co.  
Tetartus, Ger. s.s., 1,578, J. Desler, 10th Feb.—Mojl 14th Feb., Coal.—S. & Co.  
Tientain, Br. s.s., 2,555, C. D. Goldsmith, 5th Mar.—Bombay 15th Feb., and Singapore 1st Mar., Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

## Sailing Vessels.

Forrest Hall, Br. ship, 1,001, P. A. Logan, 14th Jan.—New York 7th Aug., 1904, Petroleum.—S. O. Co.  
King George, Br. ship, 2,057, J. White, 11th Feb.—Philadelphia, U.S.A. 6th Sept., 1904, Case Oil.—S. O. Co.  
Manuel Laguna, Br. ship, 1,646, D. G. Nickels, 11th Feb.—Chetoo 4th Feb., Ballast—Order.  
Saint Louis, Fr. ship, 1,625, Mathis, 23d Feb.—New York 4th Nov., Oil.—S. O. Co.

## Steamers Expected.

| Vessel         | From      | Agents       | Due     |
|----------------|-----------|--------------|---------|
| Athenian       | Shanghai  | C. P. R. Co. | Mar. 9  |
| Nubia          | Singapore | H. A. L.     | Mar. 10 |
| Nassovia       | Singapore | P. & O. Co.  | Mar. 10 |
| Emp. of China  | Japan     | C. P. R. Co. | Mar. 14 |
| Princess Alice | Japan     | M. & Co.     | Mar. 14 |
| Tsimah         | Japan     | C. J. L.     | Mar. 14 |
| Korea          | Japan     | P. M. Co.    | Mar. 14 |
| Prins Heinrich | Columbo   | M. & Co.     | Mar. 16 |
| Kumansu        | Calcutta  | J. M. & Co.  | Mar. 22 |
| Nicomedia      | Portland  | P. & A. Co.  | Mar. 30 |

## Hongkong &amp; Whampoa Dock Rotaries.

U.S.A.T. Licium ... at Kowloon Dock.  
Sobralense ... " " " "  
Telartos ... " " " "  
Venus ... " " " "  
H.M.S. Janus ... " " " "  
Chingwa ... " " " "  
Changai ... " " " "  
Lothian ... " " " "  
Rubi ... " " " " Aberdeen

## Ships Passed The Canal.

Outward—17th February—Alcorno, Oanfa, Ceylon, Hainan, Indra, 21st February—Bavaria, Prinz Heinrich, 25th February—Siberia, Tinkat, Tinkat, 28th February—Sagolia, Nuumshen, Palma, Dany, Hilary, 4th March—Jaxon, Cairo, Alomania, Karoo, 7th March—Annam, Renaldi, Indragy, Orange, Pira, Fallodon, Hall, Panna, Prins Rital Friedrich.  
Homeward—25th February—Bavaria, Hyson, 27th February—Croydon, 7th March—Prism.  
Arrivals at Home—18th February—Sagolia, 21st February—Kintuck, Australia, 28th February—Armenia, Gilet, Moyune, Roan, Sildon, 4th March—C. Ferd Lactis, Hector, 6th March—Almaza, 7th March—Benlmond, Ernest Simons, Lact, Palawn.

## Post Office.

3 Mail will close for—

Canton—Per Pawan, 9th Mar., 7.30 A.M.  
Swatow, Amoy and Fenchow—Per Hatching, 9th Mar., 8 A.M.  
Singapore—Per Richmond Castle, 9th Mar., 10 A.M.  
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Ben-luch, 9th Mar., 1 P.M.  
Hongmoon, Kumchuk, Shinghing and Tak-hing—Per Samul, 9th Mar., 3 P.M.  
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Kaukong—Per Hongkong, 9th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Canton—Per Hanam, 9th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Taltuan, 9th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Swatow and Shanghai—Per Tingsang, 9th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe—Per Silesia, 9th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Canton—Per Fatsan, 10th Mar., 7.10 A.M.  
Singapore—Per Sumbia, 10th Mar., 9 A.M.  
Amoy and Manila—Per Rubi, 10th Mar., 3 P.M.  
Manila—Per Loongmoon, 10th Mar., 3 P.M.  
Swatow, Amoy and Ningpo—Per Pawan, 10th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Canton—Per Pawan, 10th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Kaukong—Per Tak Hing, 10th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Canton—Per Hanam, 11th Mar., 7.30 A.M.  
Yokohama, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Bengol, 11th Mar., 10.45 A.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Manchuria, 11th Mar., 10.45 A.M.  
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Eastern, 11th Mar., 11 A.M.  
Singapore and Sourabaya—Per Fatching, 11th Mar., 2 P.M.  
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per Frithjof, 11th Mar., 5 P.M.  
Canton—Per Hankow, 12th Mar., 9 A.M.  
Tientsin—Per Wesang, 13th Mar., 3 P.M.  
Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per Ichia, 14th Mar., 11 A.M.  
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Chang-sha, 14th Mar., 11 A.M.  
Manila—Per Taming, 14th Mar., 3 P.M.  
Europe, Asia, India, via Tutuconin—Per Princess Alice, 15th Mar., 11 A.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Altiman, 15th Mar., 11 A.M.  
Batavia, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar—Per Tjimaal, 15th Mar., 3 P.M.  
Cebu and Iloilo—Per Kalfora, 16th Mar., 3 P.M.  
Manila—Per Zafra, 18th Mar., 9 A.M.  
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle, Wash.—Per Minuska, 18th Mar., 3 P.M.

## VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

## HONGKONG.

Alexander, H. S. Kaeuwing, A. Barel, K. Kamp, H. H. Y. and servant  
Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. A. Y. and servant  
Bellmore, Dr. Koenigsberg, A.  
Bertrand, Mr. and Mrs. Kitzmanol, J. C. and infant  
Bevis, Mrs. and Miss Marriott, Dr. O.  
Bingham, Mr. & Mrs. Matthews, T. W. T. E. and child  
Birbeck, R. J. Miller, P. L.  
Bissell, W. S. Moffat, G.  
Blair, D. K. Moir, A. M., Lt. and Mrs. W. M.  
Boggan, Mr. and Mrs. Moon, Mr. & Mrs. R. M. and infant  
Bonner, E. A. Mueller, Capt.  
Bornand, Mr. Newington, A. G.  
Borthwick, Mrs. R. W. Newton, W. G.  
and child Newley, Capt. A. H.  
Brown, G. R. Ogilvy, H. H.  
Broughall, L. Pan, F. N. Le  
Cadele, Miss L. Parfitt, W.  
Campbell, H. Pattie, Mrs. J. A.  
Gendy, L. T. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. T. L.  
Caum, Miss H. Christensen, Mr. & Mrs. Potts, W. H.  
Clark, Dr. Francis Puddappa, W. T.  
Clark, T. Rauchholz, Mr.  
Clark, W. G. Ranney, F. O.  
Cook, H. A. B. Ranney, Mrs. F. O.  
Cooley, E. W. Rice, P. F.  
Croxtan, Capt. & Mrs. Roach, Mrs. J. S. and child  
Cunningham, G. Robertson, W. R.  
Davies, F. O. Rogers, Dr. W. H.  
Davies, Mrs. J. T. Rutherford, N. H.  
Deacon, F. B. Schofield, Mrs.  
Decrummer, A. Scott, Mr. & Mrs. J. G.  
Dodge, Mrs. Sichtig, Mrs. B.  
Douglas, Capt. & Mrs. J. Skott, C.  
Downing, Mr. and Mrs. Somerville, Geo.  
T. C. Sommer, D.  
Dudwell, O. Soper, C. H.  
Edwards, G. H. Stein, A. L.  
Emerson, A. Stewart, M. D.  
Fearley, A. E. Struthers, Miss M.  
Ferguson, F. Swann, Mrs. E. S.  
Fischer, H. G. Thiel, C.  
Fisher, H. L. Thomas, C. R.  
Glover, C. Thomson, Dr. J. C.  
Goldstein, A. E. Thornbrow, J.  
Granichstaden, E. Trimmell, W. D.  
Grant, A. W. Turner, A.  
Gray, H. C. Tuffell, Mrs. L. G.  
Hall, Capt. T. Tulledge, G. W.  
Hanron, J. Vancian, Mr. and Mrs. S. M.  
Harding, R. Vanciau, Miss  
Hardy, Mrs. C. S. Vanciau, J. L.  
Hayden, P. Wemyz, J. L.  
Heurly, E. R. Whitton, Mrs. A. M.  
Howell, N. J. child and infant  
Huni, R. H. Williams, A. S.  
Hurst, R. M., Engineer. Wier, Rev. C.  
Capt. Wiesbrun, F.  
Hutton, A. Woolmer, Mr. and Mrs. C. E.  
Innes, Capt. R. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon  
Icely, Rev. F.  
Irwin, J.

## PEAK.

Atkinson, R. D. Louder, Mr.  
Beattie, J. M. Martin, R.  
Beattie, M. P. Moxon, Mr. and Mrs.  
Bentwick, Capt. and Mrs. Herbert  
Mrs. and children Oliff, Capt. and Mrs.  
Brown, Col. F. L. Oliver, Mr. and Mrs.  
Brown, Mrs. L. F. Ollis, F. B.  
Brown, Miss O'Neill, J. I. Hough  
Brown, Miss Ethel Parker, R. N. A. R.  
Bunsey, Col. and Mrs. Parker, Mrs.  
P. W. and children Paxton, Capt. H. W.  
Chapman, A. Phillips, Major  
Chichester, Major and Pollock, K. C., Mr.  
Mrs. A. A. Robert A. Q.  
Clark, Mr. Rymer, Mr. and Mrs.  
Courtney, G. Sawyer, Mrs.  
Darling, Col. Smith, C. W.  
David, A. J. Smith, A. Findlay  
David, J. R. Smith, Mr. and Mrs.  
Dixon, Mr. Spalckhaver, W. O. C.  
Dymock, Lieut. A. Steavenson, D.  
Giles, Capt. Breen, Mr.  
Grant, A. R. Stokes, Mr.  
Hassan, Mr. and Mrs. Stoppa, Mr.  
Haynes, Col. Story, Mr.  
Hazelard, F. A. Thomson, Mr. & Mrs. W.  
Hobrow, Mr. Turner, Miss  
Hudig, D. Uffell, W. von  
Jeffries, H. U. Watkins, R. E., Capt.  
Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Insling, Major C. L. and Mrs.  
Kaye, Major and Mrs. Wenborn, S. T.  
Koye, Lady F. & Majd White, Dr. and Mrs. Lang, Mr. M. J.

## GRAIGIEBURN.

Bird, Mr. & Mrs. L. C. Skottowe, Mr. and Mrs.  
Dann, G. H. A. B.  
Franklin, G. Smith, Mr. and Mrs.  
Gaskell, Mr. and Mrs. Grant  
Holmes, N. M. Southam, Mr. and Mrs.  
Votrell, G. E. and child  
Nicholls, E. A. Webb, Mr. and Mrs.  
Riadore, R. M., Lieut. Montague  
Commander & Mrs. Woodward, Mr. & Mrs. and children  
Smith, E. Grant

## KOWLOON.

Baumann, Alog. Rouff, Morris  
Heriot, R. M. L., Capt. Steyner, Lt.-Comdr.  
and Mrs. Mackay  
Little, J. M. Tuke, Capt. and Mrs.  
Mitchell, Mr. Watson, Mr. and Mrs.  
Rowe, Mrs. W. E. and child W. H.

## OCCIDENTAL.

Bands, F. Loias, Mr. and Mrs.  
Brown, Mr. T. C. and daughter  
Chandler, Lieut. Mathies, P.  
Frier, Mr. Munro, Miss A.  
Furt, H. Nart, V.  
Guenin, C. N. Reichel, W.  
Kear, Dr. Rohrer, Capt. W.  
Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Twyne, Mrs.  
and child Wornsp, Capt.

March 7 at March 7 at  
10 a.m. 10 a.m.  
Barometer 30.35 30.23  
Temperature 53 54  
Humidity 72 68  
Rainfall 0.11 0.11

## HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

| NAME       | CLASS                  | TONS   | GUNS | I.H.P. | CAPTAIN                              | LAST REPORTED AT |
|------------|------------------------|--------|------|--------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Alacrity   | despatch-vessel        | 1,700  | 4    | 3,000  | Commander Harbord                    | Hongkong         |
| Albion     | battleship, 1st class  | 12,950 | 10   | 13,500 | Captain Sydney R. Fremantle          | Hongkong         |
| Algerine   | ship                   | —      | —    | —      | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Amphitrite | cruiser, 1st class     | 11,000 | 16   | 18,000 | Captain Charles Windham, C.V.O.      | On way to H'kong |
| Andromeda  | cruiser, 1st class     | 11,000 | 16   | 16,500 | Captain R. Nelson Ommamney           | Cruising         |
| Astraea    | cruiser, 2nd class     | 4,360  | 10   | 7,000  | Captain Lionel G. Tufnell            | Hongkong         |
| Bramble    | gunboat, 1st class     | —      | —    | —      | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Britomart  | gunboat, 1st class     | —      | —    | —      | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Centurion  | battleship, 1st class  | 10,500 | 14   | 13,000 | Captain Fegnan                       | Hongkong         |
| Cherub     | water tank and tug     | 390    | —    | 300    | —                                    | Hongkong         |
| Fame       | torpedo boat destroyer | 306    | 6    | 5,700  | Lieut. Commander Stevenson           | Hongkong         |
| Glory      | battleship, 1st class  | 12,050 | 16   | 13,500 | Captain Hon. Stoford                 | Cruising         |
| Hardy      | torpedo boat destroyer | 275    | 6    | 4,000  | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Hasty      | torpedo boat destroyer | 275    | 6    | 4,000  | Lieut. Commander Richards            | Hongkong         |
| Humber     | cruiser, 1st class     | 1,200  | 14   | —      | Captain Shortland                    | On way to W-wel  |
| Ipheigenia | storeship              | 1,640  | —    | 800    | Lieut. P. M. Riadore                 | Hongkong         |
| Janus      | cruiser, 2nd class     | 3,600  | 8    | 7,000  | Captain William B. Pawlcrner         | Cruising         |
| Kinsha     | torpedo boat destroyer | 280    | 6    | 5,900  | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Moorehen   | river gunboat          | 180    | 2    | —      | Lieut. Commander E. V. F. R. Dugmore | Yangtze          |
| Ocean      | battleship, 1st class  | 12,950 | 16   | 13,500 | Lieut. Commander F. B. Noble         | Hongkong         |
| Oter       | torpedo boat destroyer | 350    | 6    | 6,300  | Captain T. G. Greet                  | Cruising         |
| Phonix     | ship                   | —      | —    | —      | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Rambler    | surveying-vessel       | 815    | 2    | 650    | Commander C. E. Monro                | Hongkong         |
| Robin      | river gunboat          | 85     | 2    | 240    | Lieut. Commander Robert E. Vaughan   | Hongkong         |
| Rosario    | ship                   | —      | —    | —      | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Sandpiper  | river gunboat          | 85     | 2    | 240    | Lieut. Commander H. T. Atlay         | West River       |
| Sirius     | cruiser, 2nd class     | 3,600  | 8    | 7,000  | Captain C. H. H. Moore               | Shanghai         |
| Teal       | river gunboat          | 85     | 2    | 240    | Lieut. Commander Davidson            | Yangtze          |
| Taku       | torpedo boat destroyer | 250    | 6    | 6,500  | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Tamar      | receiving ship         | 4,050  | 6    | —      | Commodore Dicken                     | Hongkong         |
| Thal       | river gunboat          | 180    | 2    | 800    | Lieut. Commander E. Secretan         | Yangtze          |
| Thetis     | cruiser, 2nd class     | 3,400  | 8    | 9,000  | Captain J. A. C. Wilkinson           | Singapore        |
| Tweed      | coast defence gunboat  | —      | —    | —      | Reserve                              | Hongkong         |
| Vengeance  | battleship, 1st class  | 12,950 | 16   | 13,500 | Captain Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.        | On way to S'pore |
| Virago     | torpedo boat destroyer | 355    | 6    | 6,300  | Lieut. Commander Gregory             | Hongkong         |
| Waterloo   | surveying ship         | 620    | 4    | 450    | Lieut. Commander Ernest C. Hardy     | Hongkong         |
| Whiting    | torpedo boat destroyer | 360    | 6    | 5,900  | Lieut. Commander Holden              | Hongkong         |
| Woodcock   | river gunboat          | 150    | 2    | 550    | Lieut. Commander Hugh Somerville     | Yangtze          |
| Woodlark   | river gunboat          | 150    | 2    | 550    | Lieut. Commander Jno. F. Knox        | Yangtze          |

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\* Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon Howe, C.B., C.M.G.

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| NAME.                | FLAG AND DESCRIPTION.      | TONS.  | GUNS. | H. P.  | COMMANDING OFFICERS.           | LAST REPORTED AT |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Achéron ... ..       | armoured gunboat ... ..    | 1,796  | 10    | 1,700  | Lieut. Ferret ... ..           | Saigon           |
| Argus ... ..         | river gunboat ... ..       | 123    | —     | 500    | Lieut. Jeannel ... ..          | Canton           |
| Avalanche ... ..     | river gunboat ... ..       | 140    | 5     | 150    | —                              | Haiphong         |
| Balouette ... ..     | river gunboat ... ..       | —      | —     | 150    | —                              | Saigon           |
| Caronde ... ..       | river gunboat ... ..       | —      | —     | 150    | Lieut. Hue? ... ..             | Saigon           |
| Casse-léte ... ..    | river gunboat ... ..       | 140    | 5     | 150    | —                              | Saigon           |
| Combe ... ..         | gunboat ... ..             | 525    | 4     | 438    | Lieut. Merveilleux du Vignaux  | Gulf of Siam     |
| D'Assas ... ..       | armoured cruiser ... ..    | 4,000  | 31    | 9,500  | Captain Allaire ... ..         | Baie d'Along     |
| Déclaire ... ..      | gunboat ... ..             | 645    | 10    | 1,000  | Lieutenant L'Est ... ..        | Baie d'Along     |
| Descartes ... ..     | cruiser ... ..             | 3,985  | 14    | 5,500  | Commander Amet ... ..          | Saigon           |
| Estoc ... ..         | river gunboat ... ..       | 303    | —     | —      | Lieut. Mère ... ..             | Haiphong         |
| Francisque ... ..    | destroyer ... ..           | 303    | 7     | 6,300  | Lieut. Coton ... ..            | Saigon           |
| Fronde ... ..        | destroyer ... ..           | 350    | —     | 303    | Lieut. Jehenne ... ..          | Haiphong         |
| Guichen † ... ..     | protected cruiser ... ..   | —      | —     | —      | —                              | Saigon           |
| Gueydon ... ..       | armoured cruiser ... ..    | 9,376  | 7     | 20,200 | Capt. Ridoux ... ..            | Baie d'Along     |
| Henri Rivière ... .. | river gunboat ... ..       | —      | —     | —      | Lieut. Fortier ... ..          | Haiphong         |
| Jacquin ... ..       | river gunboat ... ..       | 200    | 6     | 308    | Lieut. Corloux ... ..          | Haiphong         |
| Javeline ... ..      | destroyer ... ..           | 307    | —     | 300    | Lieut. Beaussant ... ..        | Haiphong         |
| Kersaint ... ..      | cruiser ... ..             | 1,350  | 7     | 2,200  | Commander Simon ... ..         | Chemulpo & S'hai |
| Lynx ... ..          | sub-marine ... ..          | —      | —     | —      | Arnbruster ... ..              | Saigon           |
| Montcalm* ... ..     | armoured cruiser ... ..    | 9,700  | 12    | 19,600 | Capt. Duval ... ..             | Baie d'Along     |
| Mousquet ... ..      | destroyer ... ..           | 307    | 7     | 6,300  | Lieut. Prat ... ..             | Haiphong         |
| Oly ... ..           | river gunboat ... ..       | —      | —     | —      | Lieut. Grélier ... ..          | Chungking        |
| Pascal ... ..        | cruiser ... ..             | 4,015  | 27    | 8,500  | Commander Chevalier ... ..     | Colombo          |
| Peiho ... ..         | gunboat ... ..             | —      | —     | —      | Lieut. Lavissière ... ..       | Tongku           |
| Pistolet ... ..      | destroyer ... ..           | 307    | 7     | 6,300  | Lieut. de Reinach-Werth ... .. | Haiphong         |
| Protée ... ..        | sub-marine ... ..          | —      | —     | —      | Lieut. Glorieux ... ..         | Saigon           |
| Redoutable ... ..    | battleship, reserve ... .. | 9,437  | 8     | 6,071  | Commodore C. P. M. Poidloté    | Saigon           |
| Sabre ... ..         | destroyer ... ..           | —      | —     | —      | Lieut. Lebal ... ..            | Saigon           |
| Styx ... ..          | armoured gunboat ... ..    | 1,796  | 10    | 1,700  | Capt. Dupriez ... ..           | Saigon           |
| Sully ... ..         | armoured cruiser ... ..    | 10,014 | 38    | 20,000 | Capt. Guiberteau ... ..        | Baie d'Along     |
| Surprise ... ..      | gunboat ... ..             | 629    | 2     | 900    | Lieut. Roque ... ..            | Shanghai         |
| Taklang ... ..       | river gunboat ... ..       | —      | —     | —      | —                              | Upper Yangtse    |
| Takou ... ..         | destroyer ... ..           | 250    | 6     | —      | Capt. Terquem ... ..           | Saigon           |
| Vauban ... ..        | battleship, reserve ... .. | 6,150  | 23    | 4,560  | —                              | Saigon           |
| Vigilante ... ..     | river gunboat ... ..       | 123    | 7     | 500    | Lieut. Brugnon ... ..          | Canton           |



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| STOCKS.                                                                          | NO. OF<br>SHARES. | VALUE.    | PAID UP.  | POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.                                                            | LAST DIVIDEND.         | APPROXIMATE<br>RETURN AT<br>PRESENT<br>QUOTATION.                                                      | CLOSING<br>QUOTATIONS.                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
|                                                                                  |                   |           |           | RESERVE.                                                                                | AT WORKING<br>ACCOUNT. |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| BANKS.                                                                           |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation .....                                    | 80,000            | \$125     | \$125     | \$1,000,000<br>\$8,000,000<br>\$250,000                                                 | \$1,493,408            | Div. of £1.10/- and bonus of £1 @ ex-<br>change 1/11 9/16 = \$25.46 for second<br>half-year 1904 ..... | \$730 buyers<br>(London 2/6)          |
| National Bank of China, Limited .....                                            | 99,925            | £7        | £7        | \$175,533<br>\$191,973                                                                  | \$21,668               | \$2 (London 3/6) for 1903 .....                                                                        | \$36 buyers                           |
| MARINE INSURANCES.                                                               |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Canton Insurance Office, Limited .....                                           | 10,000            | \$250     | \$50      | \$1,400,000<br>81,739                                                                   | \$150,494              | \$17 for 1903 .....                                                                                    | \$272½ buyers                         |
| China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited .....                                  | 24,000            | \$83.33   | \$25      | \$950,000<br>\$151,992<br>\$362,166<br>\$371,445                                        | Nil.                   | \$4½ for year ended 30.4.1904 .....                                                                    | \$58½ sales                           |
| North China Insurance Company, Limited .....                                     | 10,000            | £15       | £5        | Tls. 800,000                                                                            | Tls. 217,119           | Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903 .....                                                                 | Tls. 90 sales                         |
| Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited .....                                 | 10,000            | \$250     | \$100     | \$1,850,000<br>£20,000<br>\$372,749<br>\$893,111<br>\$846,773<br>\$700,000<br>\$377,794 | \$2,078,997            | \$35 for 1903 .....                                                                                    | \$695 sales                           |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited .....                                     | 8,000             | \$100     | \$60      | \$1,000,000<br>\$123,675<br>\$2,561                                                     | \$486,284              | \$12 for 1902 .....                                                                                    | \$160                                 |
| FIRE INSURANCES.                                                                 |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| China Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....                                      | 20,000            | \$100     | \$70      | \$1,000,000                                                                             | \$320,047              | \$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902 .....                                                                | \$93 sellers                          |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited .....                                   | 8,000             | \$250     | \$50      | \$1,200,000<br>\$170,501                                                                | \$360,372              | \$34 for 1903 .....                                                                                    | \$320 ex div.                         |
| SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.                                                   |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited .....                                | 30,000            | \$25      | \$25      | none                                                                                    | Dr. \$63,123           | \$5 for 1900 .....                                                                                     | \$43                                  |
| Douglas Steamship Company, Limited .....                                         | 20,000            | \$50      | \$50      | \$185,000<br>\$80,935<br>\$250,000                                                      | Nil.                   | \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903 .....                                                                     | \$33½ buyers                          |
| Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. ....                                | 80,000            | \$15      | \$15      | \$600,000<br>\$158,444                                                                  | \$26,160               | \$1 for second half-year 1904 .....                                                                    | \$16 buyers                           |
| Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited .....                               | 60,000            | £10       | £10       | \$200,000<br>£100,000                                                                   | £5,853                 | 10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 5/16 = \$5.378 .....                                                              | \$125 sellers                         |
| Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited .....                                  | 200,000           | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | none                                                                                    | Tls. 55,541            | Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904 .....                                                                       | Tls. 52 sales                         |
| Do. (Preference) .....                                                           | 100,000           | £1        | £1        | \$400,000<br>£4,116                                                                     | £58,852                | Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 5) for 1904 .....                                                           | Tls. 50 sales                         |
| "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited .....                             | 2,000,000         | \$10      | \$10      | \$600,000<br>\$15,093                                                                   | \$1,287                | { \$1.80 & b. 40 cts. }<br>{ \$0.90 & b. 20 cts. } for year ending 30.4.04                             | \$38<br>\$29                          |
| "Star" Ferry Company, Limited .....                                              | 10,000            | \$10      | \$5       | \$400,000<br>\$21,675<br>\$18,000<br>\$130,153                                          | \$33,648               | \$5 for 2nd 1-year making \$13 for 1903 .....                                                          | \$140 sellers                         |
| Straits Steamship Company, Limited .....                                         | 5,000             | \$100     | \$100     | Tls. 100,000<br>Tls. 212,614                                                            | Tls. 6,190             | Final of Tls. 1½ making Tls. 3½ for 1904 .....                                                         | Tls. 29 ex div.                       |
| Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited .....                                      |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Tls. 50 Tls. 50                                                                  |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Tls. 212,614 Tls. 6,190                                                          |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Final of Tls. 1½ making Tls. 3½ for 1904 .....                                   |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| 10½ % Tls. 29 ex div.                                                            |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| REFINERIES.                                                                      |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| China Sugar Refining Company, Limited .....                                      | 20,000            | \$100     | \$100     | none                                                                                    | Dr. \$147,717          | Interim of \$5 for 1904 .....                                                                          | \$227                                 |
| Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited .....                                      | 7,000             | \$100     | \$100     | none                                                                                    | Dr. \$73,905           | \$3 for 1897 .....                                                                                     | \$23 buyers                           |
| Pernik Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited .....                                  | 7,000             | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | Tls. 100,000                                                                            | Tls. 1,635             | Tls. 2½ for year ending 30.9.04 .....                                                                  | Tls. 54 sales                         |
| MINING.                                                                          |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd. ....                                | 1,000,000         | £1        | £1        | \$40,000                                                                                | £7,820                 | No. 3 of 1/6 .....                                                                                     | Tls. 7.65 sales                       |
| Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited .....                              | 50,000            | G \$10    | G \$10    | none                                                                                    | G \$672,091            | 50 cents making G \$1 for 1904 .....                                                                   | G \$17½ sales                         |
| Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited .....                               | 50,000            | £1        | £1        | \$4,873                                                                                 | Dr. £4,020             | No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents .....                                                                         | \$3½ buyers                           |
| Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin .....                               |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Fcs. 250 Fcs. 250                                                                |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Fcs. 251,337 Fcs. 85,766                                                         |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903 .....                                   |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| 12 % \$490                                                                       |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.                                                        |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited .....                                                | 6,000             | \$25      | \$25      | \$70,000                                                                                | \$10,517               | \$3.75 for 1903 .....                                                                                  | \$40                                  |
| Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co., Ltd. ....                              | 10,000            | \$50      | \$50      | \$50,080                                                                                | \$28,015               | Interim of \$2½ for 1904 .....                                                                         | \$102½ buyers                         |
| Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd. ....                                     | 50,000            | \$50      | \$50      | \$250,000                                                                               | \$498,280              | First year .....                                                                                       | \$100 buyers                          |
| Howarth Erskine, Limited .....                                                   | 12,000            | \$100     | \$100     | \$60,000                                                                                | .....                  | \$5 dividend and \$1 bonus for 2nd half-<br>year 1904 .....                                            | \$28                                  |
| New Amoy Dock Company, Limited .....                                             | 6,000             | \$6½      | \$6½      | \$55,500                                                                                | \$489                  | \$10 div. & \$5 bonus for year end. 30.6.04 .....                                                      | \$220                                 |
| Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited .....                                            | 6,000             | \$6½      | \$6½      | \$55,500                                                                                | \$489                  | \$12 for 1903 .....                                                                                    | \$25 sellers                          |
| Do. (Preference) .....                                                           | 2,750             | \$100     | \$100     | \$150,000                                                                               | \$49,936               | { \$10 div. and \$2½ bonus }<br>{ \$7 dividend } for 1903 .....                                        | \$120 buyers<br>\$28                  |
| S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited .....                                         | 55,200            | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | Tls. 900,000                                                                            | Tls. 48,153            | \$7 dividend .....                                                                                     | Tls. 143                              |
| Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company .....                                         | 32,600            | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | Tls. 487,210                                                                            | Tls. 22,895            | Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904 .....                                                                       | Tls. 147½                             |
| Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited .....                                        | 37,000            | \$100     | \$100     | \$2,100,000                                                                             | \$43,712               | \$6 for first half year 1904 .....                                                                     | \$365 sales                           |
| Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited .....                                  | 2,500             | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | Tls. 6,000                                                                              | Tls. 1,760             | Tls. 18 for 1903 .....                                                                                 | Tls. 190 sales                        |
| LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.                                                        |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai) .....                              | 30,000            | \$25      | \$25      | none                                                                                    | \$9,089                | \$2½ for year ended 30.6.1904 .....                                                                    | \$31 sales                            |
| Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin) .....                                      | 2,000             | T.Tls. 50 | T.Tls. 50 | Tls. 41,000                                                                             | Tls. 655               | Interim of Tls. 4 .....                                                                                | Tls. 150 sellers                      |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited .....                                            | 12,000            | \$50      | \$50      | \$11,824<br>\$20,000                                                                    | \$11,668               | \$5 for first half-year 1904 .....                                                                     | \$141 buyers                          |
| Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. ....                               | 50,000            | \$100     | \$100     | \$250,000                                                                               | \$37,875               | Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1904 .....                                                                | \$128 sales                           |
| Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai) .....                             | 9,000             | Tls. 25   | Tls. 25   | Tls. 13,086                                                                             | Tls. 680               | Tls. 0.87½ for the year ending 31.3.1904 .....                                                         | Tls. 80 sales                         |
| Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited .....                                | 150,000           | \$10      | \$10      | \$50,000<br>\$200,994                                                                   | \$11,958               | 90 cents for 1904 .....                                                                                | \$12 sales                            |
| Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited .....                                 | 6,000             | \$50      | \$50      | none                                                                                    | \$377                  | \$3 for 1904 .....                                                                                     | \$37 buyers                           |
| Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited .....                                  | 52,000            | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | Tls. 828,813<br>Tls. 170,000                                                            | Tls. 40,766            | { Tls. 3 final and Tls. 2 bonus making }<br>{ Tls. 8 for 1904 }                                        | Tls. 116 sales                        |
| TIENSIN HOTEL DES COLONIES, LIMITED.                                             |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited .....                                       | 1,400             | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | none                                                                                    | Dr. Tls. 2,132         | Interim of Tls. 3½ .....                                                                               | Tls. 48 sellers                       |
| Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited .....                                  | 7,726             | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | Tls. 57,626                                                                             | Tls. 725               | Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 for 1904 .....                                                           | Tls. 127½ ex div                      |
| Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited .....                             | 3,764             | Tls. 25   | Tls. 25   | none                                                                                    | Tls. 5,150             | None .....                                                                                             | Tls. 12 buyers                        |
| West Point Building Company, Limited .....                                       | 12,500            | \$50      | \$50      | none                                                                                    | \$1,247                | Final of \$1.70 making \$1.20 for 1904 .....                                                           | \$57                                  |
| COTTON MILLS.                                                                    |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Pwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd. ....                               | 15,000            | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | none                                                                                    | Tls. 11,655            | Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903 .....                                                                 | Tls. 27                               |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing<br>Company, Limited .....           | 125,000           | \$10      | \$10      | none                                                                                    | \$22,862               | 50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04 .....                                                             | \$14 buyers                           |
| International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ....                            | 10,000            | Tls. 75   | Tls. 75   | Tls. 50,000<br>Tls. 35,227                                                              | Tls. 13,619            | Interim of 3 a/c 1898 .....                                                                            | Tls. 25                               |
| Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd. ....                           | 8,000             | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | none                                                                                    | Tls. 10,000            | Interim of 4 a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares .....                                                            | Tls. 25                               |
| Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited .....                                  | 2,000             | Tls. 500  | Tls. 500  | Tls. 8,115                                                                              | Tls. 22,050            | 4 a/c for 1897 .....                                                                                   | Tls. 150                              |
| CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.                                                          |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| Alhambra, Limited .....                                                          | 300               | \$200     | \$200     | \$779                                                                                   | nil                    | \$125 for year ending 30.6.1900 .....                                                                  | \$100 buyers                          |
| Philippine Company, Limited .....                                                | 67,500            | \$10      | \$10      | .....                                                                                   | .....                  | First year .....                                                                                       | \$9½                                  |
| Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited .....                                  | 30,000            | Tls. 20   | Tls. 20   | Tls. 24,820<br>Tls. 25,000<br>Tls. 250,000                                              | Tls. 1,091             | Interim of Tls. 3 .....                                                                                | Tls. 75 sales                         |
| MISCELLANEOUS.                                                                   |                   |           |           |                                                                                         |                        |                                                                                                        |                                       |
| A. S. Watson & Co., Limited .....                                                | 50,000            | \$10      | \$10      | \$25,000                                                                                | \$2,883                | Interim of 50 cents for 1904 .....                                                                     | \$12½ sales                           |
| Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited .....                                    | 8,604             | 12/6      | 12/6      | none                                                                                    | £161                   | 6d. per share for 1903 .....                                                                           | \$4                                   |
| Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited .....                                             | 1,200             | \$10      | \$10      | \$5,500                                                                                 | \$595                  | \$3 for 1903 .....                                                                                     | \$24                                  |
| Central Stores, Limited .....                                                    | 6,000             | \$15      | \$12      | \$20,000                                                                                | \$1,253                | { Interim of \$1.20 for 1904 }<br>{ None }<br>{ Preferential of 7 per cent for 1904 .....              | \$30 sellers<br>\$21 sellers<br>\$100 |
| Do. (Founders) .....                                                             | 123               | \$15      | \$7½      | .....                                                                                   | .....                  | 60 cents for 1903 .....                                                                                | \$8 sellers                           |
| Do. (New Issue) .....                                                            | 24,000            | \$15      | \$7½      | none                                                                                    | Nil.                   | Tls. 6 for 1903 .....                                                                                  | \$15 sales                            |
| China-Borneo Company, Limited .....                                              | 60,000            | \$12      | \$12      | none                                                                                    | Nil.                   | None .....                                                                                             | Tls. 74 sale                          |
| China Flour Mill Co., Limited .....                                              | 4,000             | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | Tls. 25,000                                                                             | Tls. 1,942             | 80 cents for 1904 .....                                                                                | 7½                                    |
| China Light and Power Company, Limited .....                                     | 30,000            | \$10      | \$10      | none                                                                                    | \$5,739                | \$1½ for year ending 31.7.1903 .....                                                                   | \$2½ sales                            |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd. ....                               | 100,000           | \$10      | \$10      | \$8,000                                                                                 | \$1,581                | Tls. 5 for 1902 .....                                                                                  | \$12 buyers                           |
| Dairy Farm Company, Limited .....                                                | 25,000            | \$7½      | \$6       | none                                                                                    | Dr. Tls. 152,318       | \$5 div. and \$2½ bonus for 1903 .....                                                                 | Tls. 10 buyers                        |
| E. L. Mondon, Limited .....                                                      | 7,000             | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | none                                                                                    | \$2,706                | \$2 for 1904 .....                                                                                     | \$101                                 |
| Fraser and Neave, Limited .....                                                  | 4,500             | \$50      | \$50      | \$112,500                                                                               | \$95,054               | Interim of \$1 .....                                                                                   | \$29                                  |
| Green Island Cement Company, Limited .....                                       | 100,000           | \$10      | \$10      | \$400,000                                                                               | \$13,104               | £1 div. and 2½- bonus for 1903 .....                                                                   | \$27 buyers                           |
| Hall & Holtz, Limited .....                                                      | 21,000            | \$20      | \$20      | \$23,109<br>£3,000                                                                      | £7,625                 | { \$1.00 }<br>{ 50 cents } for year ending 30.4.1904 .....                                             | 6½ %<br>1½ %                          |
| Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited .....                                      | 7,000             | £10       | £10       | none                                                                                    | \$1,747                | \$15 for year ending 30.11.1904 .....                                                                  | \$11½ buyers                          |
| Hongkong Electric Company, Limited .....                                         | 30,000            | \$10      | \$5       | none                                                                                    | \$3,795                | Final of \$13 making \$17 for 1904 .....                                                               | \$24½ sellers                         |
| Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd. ....                                  | 1,250             | \$100     | \$100     | \$50,000                                                                                | \$8,395                | \$10 for 1903 .....                                                                                    | \$12 sellers                          |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited .....                                              | 5,000             | \$25      | \$25      | \$60,000                                                                                | \$299                  | { Final of 1903 and 50 cts. bonus making }<br>{ \$1.00 for year ended 30.9.04 .....                    | 10½ %<br>10½ %                        |
| Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd. ....                                   | 10,000            | \$50      | \$50      | \$50,000                                                                                | .....                  | \$13 for 1903 .....                                                                                    | \$18½                                 |
| Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited .....                                  | 15,000            | \$10      | \$10      | \$2,500                                                                                 | .....                  | Interim of Tls. 3½ for 1904 .....                                                                      | \$13½ buyers                          |
| Kat's Brothers, Limited .....                                                    | 10,000            | \$100     | \$100     | \$375,000                                                                               | \$21,582               | 4th dividend .....                                                                                     | \$145 sellers                         |
| Lane, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai) .....                                   | 2,500             | \$700     | \$100     | none                                                                                    | Tls. 35,849            | { \$1.00 }<br>{ 50 cents } for year ending 30.11.1904 .....                                            | Tls. 265 sales                        |
| Manschepij tot Minj., Bosch- en Landbouwer-<br>plooiat in Langkat, Limited ..... | 25,000            | Gs. 100   | Gs. 100   | Tls. 528,210<br>Tls. 19,465                                                             | Tls. 35,849            | \$2 for year ending 30.6.1904 .....                                                                    | \$7½ buyers                           |
| Maynard and Company, Limited .....                                               | 3,400             | \$10      | \$10      | none                                                                                    | \$803                  | Final of \$3 making \$1.20 for 1904 .....                                                              | \$35 sales                            |
| S. Moutrie & Company, Limited .....                                              | 4,000             | \$50      | \$50      | \$4,000                                                                                 | \$832                  | None .....                                                                                             | \$55 sales                            |
| Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd. ....                           | 1,200             | \$50      | \$50      | None                                                                                    | Dr. \$5,537            | None .....                                                                                             | \$50                                  |
| Shanghai Gas Company, Limited .....                                              | 16,000            | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | Tls. 100,000<br>Tls. 108,179                                                            | Tls. 7,548             | Interim of Tls. 3½ for 1904 .....                                                                      | Tls. 112½ sales                       |
| Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited .....                                     | 5,400             | Tls. 50   | Tls. 50   | Tls. 45,000                                                                             | Tls. 10,247            | Tls. 5 for 1903 .....                                                                                  | Tls. 88 sales                         |
| Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited .....                                   | 4,500             | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | Tls. 25,000                                                                             | Tls. 6,968             | Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 14 .....                                                                   | Tls. 147½ sales                       |
| Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited .....                                       | 7,200             | £20       | £20       | Tls. 140,000                                                                            | Tls. 7,769             | Interim of 15/- for 1904 .....                                                                         | Tls. 430 sales                        |
| Singapore Dispensary, Limited .....                                              | 600               | \$50      | \$50      | \$6,000                                                                                 | \$800                  | \$5 for year ended 31.7.1903 .....                                                                     | \$50                                  |
| South China Morning Post, Limited .....                                          | 6,000             | \$25      | \$25      | none                                                                                    | Dr. \$39,020           | None .....                                                                                             | \$22 buyers                           |
| Steam Laundry Company, Limited .....                                             | 5,000             | \$5       | \$5       | none                                                                                    | \$3,644                | 60 cents for year ended 31.5.04 .....                                                                  | \$7                                   |
| Straits Ice Company, Limited .....                                               | 10,000            | \$5       | \$3       | none                                                                                    | .....                  | First year .....                                                                                       | \$4½ buyers                           |
| Straits Trading Company, Limited .....                                           | 250,000           | \$10      | \$10      | \$750,000                                                                               | .....                  | \$7½ for second half year 1903 .....                                                                   | \$150 sales                           |
| Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd. ....                               | 2,041             | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | none                                                                                    | Tls. 413               | { \$1 div. and 35 cents bonus for half year }<br>{ ended 30.9.1904 .....                               | \$41½ sales                           |
| Tientsin Waterworks Co. Company, Limited .....                                   | 2,000             | Tls. 100  | Tls. 100  | Tls. 15,250                                                                             | Tls. 667               | Tls. 2 for half year .....                                                                             | Tls. 100                              |
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited .....                                   | 9,000             | \$10      | \$10      | \$20,000                                                                                | \$480                  | Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903 .....                                                           | Tls. 130                              |
| Do. (Founders) .....                                                             | 7,000             | \$10      | \$10      | \$20,000                                                                                | \$480                  | 90 cents for year ended 31.5.1904 .....                                                                | \$1½ buyers                           |
| Watkins, Limited .....                                                           | 10,000            | \$10      | \$10      | \$4,800                                                                                 | \$1,042                | { \$2.00 }<br>{ 50 cts. } for year ended 31.5.1904 .....                                               | \$180 buyers                          |
| William Powell, Limited .....                                                    | 12,000            | \$10      | \$10      | \$3,000                                                                                 | \$588                  | { \$1.00 }<br>{ 50 cts. } for year ended 30.6.1904 .....                                               | \$11<br>\$12½ sales                   |